Law Enforcement Division Bi-Weekly Field Report 8/19/13 – 9/2/13

DISTRICT 1

In response to an ongoing complaint of ORVs operating on the highway, CO Jason Wicklund spent an afternoon working the area of most concern. It didn't take long before the first ORV made his way down the highway, against the flow of traffic. The operator was ticketed.

CO Jason Wicklund received a Report-All-Poaching (RAP) complaint about a possible overlimit of panfish on a local Dickinson County lake. The CO met with the complainant who advised that the individuals come up every year and catch fish, but he never sees them put any back. The complainant also provided photographs of the individuals as well as boat registration numbers. CO Wicklund located the individuals just before dark at a local resort and watched as they cleaned fish in the garage. A check of the 11 anglers revealed that they were all licensed, but none of them knew the possession limits for panfish or how many fish they had caught that day. They also admitted to cooking and eating panfish earlier in the day. The anglers were in possession of approximately 500 fish. Tickets were issued and after a discussion on possession limits and ethics, the anglers agreed to pay over \$2,000 in restitution to the State of Michigan for the fish.

CO Dennis Gast observed several subjects fishing in a small boat on a remote trout lake where no bait is allowed and the limit is one fish. CO Gast could see a worm container inside the boat. The two anglers landed their boat on the far shore and began to fish from the shoreline. Officer Gast sneaked up behind them and listened as they talked about the bait restrictions on the lake. The CO contacted the anglers who were both using the worms as bait. One of the subjects did not have a trout license and the boat was unregistered. Both subjects were ticketed.

CO Trey Luce observed four subjects fishing on the shoreline at Deer Lake in Ishpeming. As CO Luce approached, one of the subjects quickly set his fishing pole down and began to act busy with his cell phone. The CO asked the subject for his fishing license and he replied that he wasn't fishing. After a short conversation about what the CO had observed, the subject admitted to fishing and received a ticket for fishing without a license.

DISTRICT 2

CO Jerry Fitzgibbon and Sgt. Darryl Shann responded to a report of an overturned canoe floating in Autrain Bay. The square-sterned canoe was bobbing bow up in the four foot swells. The canoe was recovered and turned over to the Alger County Sheriff's Department.

CO Mike Evink contacted two anglers about seven miles out of Manistique on Lake Michigan. The two had not had much luck catching fish so they decided to add more lines. A total of nine lines were observed and a ticket was issued.

DISTRICT 3

CO Mike Feagan received a complaint and investigated where a landowner made a rock wall across half of the Sturgeon River, attempting to keep canoes and kayaks away from his shoreline. A warrant was obtained and served for impeding the natural flow of a river.

CO Nick Torsky was patrolling the Pigeon River Country when he found fresh horse tracks entering a closed area. CO Torsky followed the tracks and located a group of horseback riders who admitted to knowing they were riding in a prohibited area. The leader of the group was ticketed for riding in a closed area.

CO Mark DePew was looking for shiners when he contacted a group of juveniles just before 11:00 p.m. The juveniles were in possession of a shotgun with bird shot and, after interviewing the group, CO DePew felt they were not attempting to shoot deer. The juveniles were turned over to their parents.

CO Mark DePew watched two anglers on a sink hole lake in the Pigeon River Country. When they were contacted they were in possession of seven undersized fish; and the limit is one fish per person. One of the anglers did not have a fishing license and they were using live bait, which is also prohibited. The anglers were ticketed for their violations and released.

CO Steve Speigl responded to a call of lost hikers in the Jordan Valley of Antrim County. The hikers, who did not have a compass, GPS or flashlights, became disoriented as darkness set in. Fortunately the dispatch center was able to obtain a GPS fix from the hiker's cell phone. CO Speigl, after an approximate one mile trek cross country, was able to locate the hikers and escort them to safety.

CO Steve Speigl responded to a call of a wildfire in a very remote area in Antrim County. Once on scene he was assisted by DNR and local firefighters to determine the origin of the fire. Firefighters advised CO Speigl they had found what they believed to be a marijuana plant growing on the property. After a short interview with a tenant camping on the property, CO Speigl was able to obtain a confession and was directed to several other marijuana plants growing on the property. Warrants are being sought for multiple offenses.

CO Andrea Albert found a spot on state land baited for deer which also had a trail camera set up on it. CO Albert contacted the suspect and ticketed him for baiting deer prior to October 1st.

DISTRICT 4

CO Rebecca Hopkins assisted with the search for a subject involved in a domestic situation who had taken his kids and fled into the woods in the Sleeping Bear National Lakeshore. Numerous agencies assisted in the search, including air support from the U.S. Coast Guard. After an extensive search the subject finally surrendered peacefully and was taken into custody with the children being reunited with their mother.

COs Steve Converse and Sam Koscinski patrolled for illegal fishing activity near the weir on the Little Manistee River. Several arrests were made including one subject who possessed a gaff hook and another subject who used a large landing net to scoop salmon late at night. The subject netting salmon had five illegal fish totaling approximately 82 pounds.

Sgt. Mike Bomay received a RAP complaint of subjects hunting geese in a campground, violating safety zone regulations, and trespassing. CO Mike Wells received the same complaint from Central Dispatch. CO Wells was able to contact the complainant and advise Sgt. Bomay of the exact location of the suspects and best direction for an approach. Sgt. Bomay made contact with the goose hunters and discovered an unplugged shotgun in addition to the other charges. CO Wells arrived and took enforcement action.

Sgt. Mike Bomay and CO Brian Brosky were patrolling the Pere Marquette River system and observed a suspicious car parked on a rural road near the Middle Branch of the River. A subject was located standing on top of a log jam with his line straight down into the river. After observing the subject through binoculars for a length of time, it was discovered that he was using homemade weighted hooks. CO Brosky circled around downstream to the roadway and approached the subject from behind. Sgt. Bomay continued surveillance in the event the subject changed locations or illegally hooked a fish. Sgt. Bomay saw that the subject was getting nervous and looking behind him frequently, and suddenly CO Brosky appeared in the binocular view. Enforcement action was taken, including seizing a dozen freshly made weighted hooks.

CO Brian Brosky was working the Pere Marquette River at Indian Bridge and located a group of subjects snagging salmon and swearing at other anglers in the area. The illegal crew quickly grabbed the illegal fish, lit up cigarettes and headed for their vehicle. CO Brosky was out of position to make contact and requested the assistance of the Mason County Sheriff Department. A deputy had the vehicle stopped within minutes and CO Brosky was able to make contact, seize the fish and issue a ticket. One of the subjects was a 15 year old that CO Brosky warned a week prior for snagging.

COs Jeff Ginn and Troy VanGelderen located a suspicious vehicle parked on a dead end road near the Muskegon River. The COs contacted the occupants, who were using marijuana. The driver of the vehicle provided CO Ginn with a mason jar full of marijuana. CO Ginn contacted the sheriff's department and requested the K-9 unit to respond; however, no additional drugs were located. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Troy VanGelderen was patrolling Lake Michigan and located a husband and wife trolling with too many lines. Upon making contact with the vessel, the operator displayed two licenses to the CO. The fishing licenses were two different colors, one being expired. CO VanGelderen requested to see the licenses again and after waiting several minutes with the subject searching his wallet, CO VanGelderen checked the female in the license sales system and discovered she had not purchased a fishing license. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Brian Lebel approached a vessel with two subjects fishing. Upon making his approach, one of the subjects threw an undersized walleye overboard. The subject admitted that the walleye was too short and when he saw the CO approaching attempted to get rid of the illegal fish. CO Lebel conducted a marine inspection and discovered that the vessel had no PFDs on board. Enforcement action was taken.

Lt. David Shaw responded to a complaint of recreational trespass while the local COs were attending training. Two trucks with dog boxes drove through an open gate with posted signs and briefly stopped at a residence. One of the subjects knocked at the door of the residence and, before waiting for a response, jumped back into his vehicle and continued to drive back into the private property to recover two packs of hounds that had treed a bear. Due to the early hour, the property owner was still in bed when the subjects knocked. Before the two trespassing vehicles could return to the gate to exit, the property owner positioned his own vehicle to block the exit. Lt. Shaw separated the two parties and discussed the importance of respecting property rights while dog training. One ticket was issued for recreational trespass.

DISTRICT 5

CO Jason McCullough arrived in time to check an angler before he was able to leave a local boating access site. During the conversation, the subject explained to the CO his vast knowledge of the fishing world, including habitat, species and fishing techniques. All went well until CO McCullough asked to look at his fish, three of which were undersized bass, the largest being 10 inches. Ironically, he informed the CO that he did not realize those fish were actually bass. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Warren MacNeill was in the process of checking a lake for fishing activity when he observed the gate restricting vehicle access had been cut and opened. Upon further investigation, the CO located a subject who had driven his ORV back to the lake and was busy fishing. To make it worse, the subject had not bothered to purchase a fishing license for this year. Enforcement action taken.

Sgt. Jon Wood and CO Jason McCullough were checking an area for early morning goose hunters when they observed one hunter out of a large group who grabbed his firearm and ran into a nearby woodlot. The COs were able to follow and apprehended the suspect a short time later. The suspect admitted to knowingly hunting with an unplugged firearm. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Mark Papineau received a complaint in regard to a subject who had intentionally dumped raw sewage onto state land. CO Papineau responded to the location and discovered that someone had discharged a large camper septic tank filled with human waste into a state land parking area. Information provided in the complaint led CO Papineau to a possible suspect. The subject was tracked down, and initially denied any knowledge of the incident. Further discussion led to a confession and a ticket for discharging human waste onto state land.

While checking a local lake in Gladwin County for boating activity, CO Papineau observed a personal watercraft (PWC) operating at a high rate of speed. As CO Papineau continued to watch, the PWC operator would speed rapidly toward a dock and pontoon boat that was filled with people. At the last minute, the operator would swerve, forcing a massive wake over the dock and into the pontoon boat. CO Papineau launched his patrol boat and attempted to make contact with the PWC operator. As CO Papineau approached the area, the PWC operator quickly went to shore in an attempt to avoid contact. Contact was made with the operator, as well as the occupants of the pontoon, all of whom were friends. The PWC operator advised CO Papineau that he is a professional motocross driver and is highly trained with evasive maneuvers. The operator was educated in regard to the difference between PWCs and dirt bikes and was also issued a ticket for careless operation.

CO Mike Hearn responded to a grass fire on private property. Upon arrival, the fire was already out and consisted of a couple acres. Through the investigation, it was discovered some bee keepers were staying on the property and had lit a small campfire for cooking. They loaded up some of their bee hives and headed back to Georgia, thinking they had extinguished the fire. The winds picked up after they left and caused their smoldering fire to cause the wildfire. Charges were sought with the Kalkaska County Prosecutors office.

CO Mike Hearn was contacted by the Kalkaska County Prosecutor's office regarding a case with a subject arrested for unlawful disposal of solid waste. He was tasked with locating some litter sites on state land for the subject to clean up as part of a court order. CO Mike Hearn located three large litter sites, marked them, and typed up directions for the clean-up.

CO Matt Liestenfeltz was on patrol when he heard a chainsaw in the distance. He located the source of the noise and located several individuals cutting live standing trees on state land. The subjects were ticketed for cutting wood without a permit.

CO Matt Liestenfeltz was following up with an individual about shooting after dark and located piles of deer bait on his property. The subject was ticketed for baiting deer before October 1.

CO Matt Liestenfeltz was on patrol after dark and responding to a complaint of shots fired when he observed the occupants of a vehicle who were shining. He contacted the occupants of the vehicle and located a .22 long gun in the vehicle and some open

containers of alcohol. The subjects were ticketed for shining with a weapon in possession.

COs William Cherry and Chuck McPherson were on patrol when they observed a vehicle slow rolling. They watched the vehicle and heard what sounded like a gunshot coming from the vehicle. They contacted the occupants and discovered they had thrown a firecracker from the window of the vehicle. The subjects had multiple offenses and were written multiple tickets.

CO Chuck McPherson was following up on a litter complaint in Crawford County. As he arrived at the suspect's last known address, a local deputy arrived on scene attempting to locate the same subject for a different criminal matter. The subject had an outstanding warrant for his arrest and was a suspect in an incident involving stolen guns. The subject's ex-wife was at home and gave consent to search the residence for the subject. The suspect was located hiding in a bed in the residence, unknown to the wife, and taken into custody. A stolen firearm was recovered from the residence.

CO Chuck McPherson was called to assist STING, the undercover narcotics unit, in the removal of some marijuana plants off of private property in Roscommon County. During the contact he located three bear baits established before the legal date. In the same location he located a live trap and a leghold trap which were set. Contact was made with the property owner who was letting an individual hunt bear on his property this year. CO McPherson investigated another parcel of property in Ogemaw County where the subject is also known to hunt and located two more early bear baits. CO McPherson conducted surveillance for a week on the sites and was able to determine the subject was not tending the leghold trap every 24 hours as well as establishing more than three bear bait stations. CO McPherson conducted an interview with the subject and issued multiple tickets, including establishing a bear bait prior to the legal date and failing to check leghold traps every 24 hours.

DISTRICT 6

COs Joel Lundberg and Steve Lockwood teamed up for a marine patrol on two area lakes and found multiple marine safety violations, including no personal flotation devices (PFDs), towing without an observer, and no navigation lights on vessels after dark. The COs also contacted a vessel that had an expired out of state registration, and the occupants of the vessel were fishing without licenses. Enforcement action was taken.

COs Dan Lee and Joel Lundberg were patrolling an area of state land when they heard ORVs operating on the state property. They found a parked truck with a trailer and a female subject with an ORV. The lady assured the COs that the ORVs they were hearing were not people from her group. Just then two ORVs came into the lot from the state land and stopped right next to her. Tickets were issued.

COs Jeremy Payne and Quincy Gowenlock arrested two hunters in possession of nine Canada Geese in the Maple River State Game Area (SGA). They had shot the geese in the refuge, which is closed to hunting. They also did not have plugs in their shotguns.

CO Ken Lowell contacted two anglers who were involved in a bass fishing tournament in Montcalm County. When the CO checked the pair, they advised they had their five bass and were heading for weigh-in. It was determined that only one angler had a fishing license. The angler told the CO that they only had five bass, one limit, and that they were legal. The CO advised that he saw him fishing and issued him a ticket for fishing without a license.

CO Nick Atkin responded to a medical emergency in remote area of the Rifle River where a subject severely injured his leg. The CO and other first responders, based on their knowledge of the area, were able to get the injured man safely off the river to medical attention.

CO Scott Brown received a call from the maintenance ranger at Port Crescent State Park regarding a camper who had fabricated the "Passport" on his plate by taping two letter Ps on the registration tab. He originally said he bought them from a lady outside the Secretary of State office in Caro for \$9 and something would be arriving in the mail. After a brief and directed discussion with him regarding the ramifications of altering a Secretary of State vehicle tab, he admitted to putting them on the tab himself in an effort to save the \$11 Passport fee. He was ticketed for illegal entry and evicted from the park at the request of the ranger.

CO Jason A. Smith observed an ORV operating on the roadway whose driver wasn't wearing a helmet and who was heading toward an area of state land where illegal ORV use is a problem. The ORV pulled into a State Game Area parking lot and attempted to hide behind some bushes. Contact was made and it ended up being an 11 year old operating several miles from his residence without a helmet/eye protection, and without an ORV license. The juvenile also confirmed that he was headed to the illegal ORV trails. The youngster was turned over to his father, along with a ticket for allowing underage operation of an ORV.

CO Seth Rhodea received a complaint about a subject trespassing on his neighbor's property while operating an ORV. The complainant had gotten pictures off his trail camera and was able to identify the trespasser and provide the CO with the information. Upon CO Rhodea contacting the suspect he admitted to driving across the neighbor's land and a warrant will be sought.

While patrolling in Sanilac County, CO Seth Rhodea observed what appeared to be illegal materials being burned in an unattended brush pile. Upon stopping to check the fire the CO located shingles and other construction type material in the fire. After a couple of phone calls the responsible party was located and issued a ticket for the illegal burn. He was also warned about not watching the fire and he was instructed to extinguish the fire before the CO left.

DISTRICT 7

CO Chris Simpson was conducting patrols one evening near Muskegon Lake and Lake Michigan when he ticketed three persons for fishing without licenses and one for retaining an undersized bass.

CO Steve Orange was called to assist local deputies at a scene where four ORVs were being operated illegally on county property. CO Orange responded with a dirt bike and was able to apprehend one suspect. A deputy located two others at a nearby home after stopping a suspicious female jogger running along a road. She was eventually identified as one of the illegal riders and she led officers to two of the hidden machines on the county property. CO Orange assisted with the impounding of the machines and a warrant is being sought for a fourth rider who eluded apprehension.

CO Gary Raak and Sgt. Jeff Rabbers, along with sheriff's department marine deputies, responded to complaints received from the public involving party boating off shore on a sand bar on Gull Lake over the weekend. Contact was made with a subject towing two female subjects on tubes without PFDs. This boat and its occupants had just come from a large group of party boaters rafted on the south sand bar. Investigation revealed the driver was intoxicated and was arrested.

Sgt. Zach Doss, Sgt. Jeff Rabbers, and COs Steve Mooney, Andy Bauer, Chuck Towns, Mike Mshar, and Patrick McManus worked a baited area on the early goose season opener and observed as five men took eight geese over the area that had been baited with corn, before being stopped by the COs. All five were ticketed for hunting waterfowl with the aid of bait, with three additional charges on a separate individual for using lead shot, an unplugged gun and a licensing violation.

COs Greg Patten and Chris Simpson encountered a sailboat just about to begin sailing in an organized race on Muskegon Lake. The operator was ticketed for no registration after COs discovered the boat was not registered. Another sailing vessel was contacted that had begun the process of documentation but had not been registered during the past two boating seasons.

Sgt. John Jurcich located two dirt bikes being operated on county roads in Muskegon County. The operators had no ORV licenses, no helmets, were riding along roads and operating illegally on public land. Enforcement action was taken and the operators were escorted to a legal trail and parking area within the Cedar Creek Trail system.

DISTRICT 8

CO Brian Fish, along with local deputies, investigated a complaint of anglers on shore not getting along with anglers in a boat over rights to a fishing spot. Both sides were being stingy about the area's fishing and advised to grow up a bit. CO Fish, while assisting the deputies, located a subject fishing without a license and enforcement action was taken

CO Kyle Bader arrested a subject who was operating a pontoon under the influence of alcohol. There were ten occupants on the pontoon. CO Bader made contact and put the driver through field sobriety tests at the Coldwater Lake public access. The subject was lodged at the Branch County Jail.

CO Kyle Bader was conducting a marine patrol on the north lake chain and heard some shooting. CO Bader took the opportunity to check the hunters and found one subject had taken geese during the volley. He'd also failed to buy his small game, waterfowl and federal waterfowl stamp. A ticket was issued.

CO Todd Thorn was working a marine patrol on the Grand River in Lansing and observed a Moped that was partially in the water in a wooded area. The registration and VIN numbers were run through Station 20 and it was found that the vehicle had been reported stolen two days earlier. The Lansing Police Department was contacted and the Moped was returned to its owner.

CO Todd Thorn contacted two individuals fishing from shore who had not purchased fishing licenses. One of the subjects, a female who did not have any ID, gave a false name and date of birth. When she was told that she would be taken to jail if she could not be positively identified, she provided the proper information. This information revealed that she had two warrants. Enforcement action was taken against both individuals.

COs Rich Nickols and Todd Thorn worked an evening marine patrol at Lobdel Lake during a fireworks event. Approximately 27 marine contacts were made, which resulted in two warnings and four tickets being issued. One of the contacts included stopping a boat with no navigation lights, which resulted in an arrest of the vessel operator for operating while intoxicated.

CO Jason Smith was patrolling the Huron River when he observed an angler walk away from his pole as the CO approached. CO Smith contacted the angler who could not produce a fishing license. CO Smith asked to check a cooler inside the angler's van and located a basket with several short bass inside. Another angler appeared who had a fishing license and claimed the fish were his. CO Smith also checked his bucket and located several more short bass. The original contact had two warrants and was lodged. The other angler was ticketed for possessing several short bass.

COs Al Mendez and Jeff Walker were working marine patrol on the Grand River when they spotted several subjects fishing from a bridge. As the COs approached, one of the anglers threw down his fishing pole and ran into the woods. The COs circled around and cut off the fleeing angler, who had no fishing license. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Al Mendez was checking on a RAP complaint of baiting on state land when he observed a tree stand that had been left from last season. CO Mendez investigated and

located the owner, who advised he did not want to take the time to remove the stand. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Rich Nickols checked three subjects fishing in a boat on an area lake. The subjects had caught seven bass between the three of them, five of which were less than 14 inches. One of the subjects was also fishing without a license. A ticket was issued.

COs Dan Bigger and Dan Walzak working with local authorities, patrolled the Detroit River and checked the Celeron Island for illegal activity. COs Bigger and Walzak observed a fire on the Island and vessels anchored just off the beach area. Contact was made and the issue resolved. The patrol continued and the COs observed a tent and several cans of alcohol and the occupants of the tent were awakened. The subjects had been drinking and were advised that alcohol was not allowed on the island, occupancy after 11:00 p.m. was not permitted and camping was not allowed. Tickets were issued for the violations. Later the COs observed a fire on the north end of the Island that was still burning and a tent that was occupied by two adults and a child. Alcohol was located and the subjects had used a machete and ax to cut wood for the fire. The occupants also had marine violations on the vessel they had used to access the island. All violations were explained and tickets along with warnings were given. In total, COs Bigger and Walzak wrote eight tickets during the patrol.

CO Dan Bigger worked the Labor Day holiday for marine activity. While checking remote locations along the Shiawassee River, CO Bigger observed anglers wading in the river and attempting to duck out of site behind the bridge. CO Bigger left the immediate vicinity and the two subjects hiding behind the bridge. CO Bigger crossed the river and made his way through the woods to the subjects' locations. CO Bigger watched as the two anglers slowly entered back into the river and began fishing. CO Bigger contacted the anglers and found that one of them did not have a fishing license. The angler claimed he thought that every Labor Day was free fishing weekend. He was advised that Labor Day is on a Monday and therefore even if it had been free fishing weekend, the weekend was over. Enforcement action was taken.

While checking launch sites along the Shiawassee River, CO Dan Bigger observed subjects across the road from the launch with a set up for Goose hunting. CO Bigger contacted the six subjects, one of whom was embarrassed when he handed his hunting license over with no federal stamp. The hunter admitted he knew better and stated it was a last minute decision to hunt. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Shane Webster was patrolling a local chain of lakes when he approached two men fishing on a bridge. Both subjects had their fishing licenses but when asked to see their fish there was a slight hesitation. A look in the bucket revealed a 12" largemouth bass. One of the two subjects confessed that he had caught and kept it. Enforcement action was taken.

DISTRICT 9

CO Mark Ennett was working a marine patrol on Lake Erie when he observed a small vessel leaving the beach at Sterling State Park by going through the marked swim area. Upon stopping the boat, he saw there were eight persons on board, with one child wearing an adult sized PFD and the owner/operator did not have a Type IV PFD on board. A ticket for operating a motor vessel within a marked swim area was issued, and warnings for the other violations were given.

CO Mark Ennett observed an unregistered PWC with two persons on board who weren't wearing PFDs. CO Ennett stopped the PWC to investigate. Both subjects fell off, and since the operator did not have the shut-off lanyard attached, the machine continued in a slow semi-circle until the operator was able to swim to it and re-board. Due to safety concerns, the passenger was brought on board the patrol boat for the return trip to the boat ramp. The owner/operator was able to produce a set of registration decals and a valid registration, and they were also able to locate a pair of PFDs. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Mark Ennett was checking the equipment and fish on board one of only two boats in Plum Creek, when the second vessel pulled up and attempted to leave the area. Upon stopping the boat, it was quickly noted they did not have any registration numbers or decals displayed, nor did they have enough PFDs on board. The boat owner originally stated his boat was brand new and he never has put numbers or the decal on the boat. Further investigation showed it to have been like this for the last four years. Enforcement action was taken.

While working a group marine patrol CO Dan Walzak and CO Daniel Bigger, along with a U.S. Border Patrol Agent and a Sgt. from the sheriff's department marine division, contacted subjects on Celeron Island to address ongoing problems with ground fires, alcohol possession, and occupancy after hours and camping. Two subjects were contacted in their tents who were already sleeping after consuming several cans of beer with their dinner which was strewn all over the area. In addition to the empty cans on the beach, the subjects had two large coolers – one full of beer and the other half full of beer – and another soft cooler completely full of beer. Due to their condition, they were told to sleep off the effects of the alcohol before leaving but the rest of the alcohol had to be disposed of. One of the subjects stated that his brother told him not to go out to the island because he would get into trouble. He also stated that two years prior he was contacted by officers for the same thing and he remembers an officer disposing of his alcohol at that time. Enforcement action was taken.

CO Lacelle Rabon was on marine patrol when he received a RAP complaint on Lake St. Clair. The complainant was looking for a location to waterfowl hunt along the Metropolitan Park shorelines and he alleges that an unknown waterfowl hunter threatened him. The complainant and the subject exchanged words while armed with shotguns and the subject made the statement, "How about if I shoot you". The subject and other witnesses denied making the statement and the complainant and his brother claim it was made. The investigation continues.

CO Mike Drexler was about to check three subjects fishing at a boat launch when he observed a female subject smoke what appeared to be a hand rolled cigar and pass it to another female subject. As CO Drexler approached he detected the strong odor of burning marijuana and instructed the female subject to place the marijuana filled cigar on the ground. While investigating, the CO observed several bags of marijuana in an open purse that was directly in front of the first female subject. The controlled substances were seized and warrants will be submitted to the prosecutor.

CO Ben Shively was patrolling back roads when he observed a dirt bike coming toward him. CO Shively could see a mirror on the left side of the bike but as the bike passed he observed that the bike was under 100cc's and there was no plate. CO Shively attempted to turn around on the dirt bike and after seeing the CO's patrol truck the subject took off. CO Shively was able to track the subject to a residence and located the dirt bike and helmet through an entry door into a garage. After numerous knocks at the front door a young woman came out and advised that she was upstairs sleeping and knew nothing about the dirt bike. CO Shively advised her to go into the residence and have the subject who hid the bike to come out. Two minutes later the subject exited from the residence. The subject stated that he had gotten scared and pulled into his buddy's house and hid the bike. CO Shively recognized the subject from two years ago when he ticketed him for ORV trespass. The subject was ticketed for operating an ORV on a public roadway and for failing to license his ORV.

CO Ben Shively responded with Michigan State Police (MSP) troopers to an undeveloped subdivision with a possible recovered stolen ORV found tucked back in the weeds. Upon arrival CO Shively found that the machine was still warm and that a subject was out on foot. CO Shively began to track the subject through the woods. CO Shively suspected that the subject would not back track and would come back out at a different location to the ORV. CO Shively and the troopers returned to the ORV just as the subject was walking up. The subject knew he did not have permission to be on the property, had operated on a public roadway, had no helmet, and did not license the ORV. The subject was ticketed for ORV trespass and operating without a helmet and issued verbal warnings on the other violations.

CO Ben Shively was on patrol just after dark when he saw two flashes pass in front of him across the road. CO Shively went to the intersection and heard two dirt bikes operating at a high rate of speed and he could not see any headlights or taillights on the bikes. CO Shively attempted to catch up to the bikes on the back road and activated his lights and siren when they slowed to turn at an intersection. Upon seeing the CO the operators attempted to flee but one of the bikes had mechanical problems and pulled to the side. CO Shively was able to get the second operator's name and called a MSP trooper who was in the area. Troopers responded to the second subject's residence and found that he had hidden the bike and taken off on foot. While attempting to contact a MSP K-9 to track the subject, the father was able to contact him on the phone and found that he had left in a car. The trooper advised the subject to return to the residence in lieu of charges of flee and elude being sought. CO Shively ticketed the first subject for operating an ORV on a public roadway and operating without a headlight or

taillight after sunset and impounded the bike. CO Shively went to the second subject's residence and waited for him to return. Upon his arrival he was also ticketed for operating an ORV on a public roadway and operating without a headlight or taillight after sunset.